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THE DE WITT FAMILY, OF ULSTER COUNTY, NEW YORK.

1. THE first mention in this country, of TJERCK CLAESSEN DE WITT, the ancestor of the De Witt family,* is found in the "*Trouw Boeck*" or Register of Marriages of the Reformed (Collegiate) Dutch Church, of New York City, where it is recorded that on the 24th day of April, 1656, "Tjerck Claessen De Witt van Grootholdt en Zunderlandt," married "Barbara Andriessen van Amsterdam." Zunderlandt has not been definitely located, but it is probably Saterland, a district of Westphalia, on the southern border of East Friesland.

Whether or not any of his family emigrated to America with him has not been ascertained, but it is probable that they did, for in 1662 his sister Emmerentie De Witt married Martinus Hoffman, at New Amsterdam, and in 1699 his brother Jan Claessen De Witt died unmarried at Kingston.

For a short time after his marriage he lived in New York (his first child, Andries, was born there), but in the spring of 1657 he removed to Albany, where he had purchased a house and lot.

In September, 1660, he exchanged his Albany property with Madame de Hulter, for land in Wiltwyck (now Kingston), "possession to be given May 1, 1661." He probably took possession at that time, as in September, 1661, he appears as plaintiff in an action at law before the Schepens Court of Wiltwyck, and on October 11th the same court ordered the Sheriff (Roeleff Swartwout) to pay him three and a half schepels of wheat in eight days and seven more in one month.

From this time until his death, he resided in Kingston and Hurley, and some of the land which he purchased is still in the hands of his descendants.

That he was a man of considerable means is shown by the fact that in 1661 he was taxed 125 guilders (about $50) to pay for building a church in Esopus.

In 1662 he owned No. 28 of the "new lots."

June 7, 1663, when Kingston and Hurley were almost entirely destroyed by the Indians, his eldest daughter, Taatje, was taken prisoner, but was soon rescued. She afterward married Captain Matthys Matthyssen.

"During the winter of 1664 there was much sickness in Esopus [Kingston]. Fever took hold of the people and prostrated half the place. But this did not prevent men from gathering their money. Roeloff Swartwout sold a horse to Tjerck Claessen De Witt, which was taken to the latter's barn, but the ex-sheriff, becoming dissatisfied, took it away secretly.

* Tjerck Claessen De Witt was the son, as the name would indicate, of Claes or Nicholas De Witt, and, judging from the custom prevalent at that time of naming children after grandparents, it is probable that his mother's first name was Taatje, for his eldest daughter bears that name, as does also a daughter of Emmerentie Hoffman, his sister, and furthermore he had a sister named Taatje, living in Holland.

He was sued for the property." [From unpublished "History of Ulster County."]

June 25, 1672, Governor Lovelace deeded him "a parcel of bush-land, together with a house, lot, orchard, and calves' pasture, lying near Kingston, in Esopus."

October 8, 1677, Governor Andros deeded him a piece of woodland, containing about fifty acres, at Kingston in Esopus, "to ye west of ye towne."

February 11, 1679, he was one of the signers of a renewal of the Nichols treaty with the Esopus Indians.

In 1684 he signed "the humble petition of the inhabitants of Esopus in the County of Ulster," praying that there might be "liberty by charter to this county to choose our owne officers to every towne court by the major vote of the freeholders." This petition was addressed to Col. Thomas Dongan, Governor-General. It greatly offended the authorities, and the signers were arrested and fined. Thus early in the history of the country arose the questions of local self-government and the right of suffrage. They were easily answered then.

February 13, 1685, one hundred and eighty-nine acres of land were conveyed to De Witt by the Trustees of Kingston.

June 6, 1685, he claimed two hundred and ninety acres of land lying upon the north side of Rondout Kill, and known by the name of "Momboccus" (in the town of Rochester) in Ulster County. This was laid out for him by Phillip Welles, surveyor, and was granted to him by patent, May 14, 1694.

March 4, 1689, he was chosen one of the magistrates of Ulster County, having previously held other offices.

Tjerck Claessen De Witt died at Kingston, February 17, 1700. By his will, which bears date the 4th day of March, 1698, and which is written in the Dutch language, he leaves his property to his wife for life; at her death one-half to go to his oldest son, Andries, and one-half to his youngest son, Tjerck, in trust, "provided that the same shall be appraised by impartial persons on oath," and divided into twelve equal shares, one share to be given to each of his children, their heirs or assigns. In addition to the equal share he gave to Andries some lands at Koksinck and Kleine Esopus, to Jan and Jacob each five hundred bushels of wheat, and to Lucas the one-half of a sloop which he had built the year previous. The legacy to his daughter Rachel is subject to the condition "that my said daughter's share shall be decreased one hundred pounds for the benefit of my heirs, which is what my daughter's husband, Cornelius Bogardus, owes me for the one-eighth of a brigantine, desiring, however, that the child of the said Bogardus, named Barbara, shall receive, out of the aforesaid hundred pounds, fifty pieces of eight." The legacy to his daughter Jannetje, the wife of Cornelius Swits, is "with these conditions, that if my aforesaid daughter shall die without leaving any children, then all the said part shall be the property of my heirs, to be equally divided between them."

His wife Barbara is appointed executrix, and the witnesses are Jacob Rutsen, Abraham La Meter, and William De Meyer. The will is recorded in the Ulster County Clerk's Office at Kingston, in Book AA of Deeds, p. 252, and in the New York Surrogate's Office, Lib. 7 of Wills, p. 601. The translation from which the above is taken was kindly furnished by George G. De Witt, Esq., of New York City.

Barbara Andriessen De Witt died on July 6, 1714, and after her death

the property was appraised according to the provisions of the will, as appears by the following certificate which is recorded in the Ulster County Clerk's Office, Book BB of Deeds, p. 513:

"Whereas by the Last will and Testament of Tyerck Clasen D'Widt, he Left his Estate that it should be vallued & prysed by Indifferent and Impartiall men uppon there oath, and aplication being made unto the Court for the Ellecting of the psons, & accordingly have made choyce of Capt. Derick Schepmoes, Mr. Adrian Geritsen, Major Johanis Hardenberg, Mr. James Whitaker & Maj^r. Jacobus Elmendorf to vallue & prize the said Estate which they the said psons doe prize accordingly upon oath, being sworne upon the holy Evangelists by Coll. Henry Beekman, the said persons prize the said Estate to be worth the som of fourteen hundred & seventy-five pounds, Curant monny of New Yorke.

"In Testimony whereof wee have hereunto Sett our hands this 25th day of Aprill in the yeare 1716.

"Dirck Schepmoes,
"Arien Gerritsen,
"J. Hardenbergh,
"James Whittaker,
"Jacobus Elmendorf."

Children of Tjerck Claessen De Witt and Barbara Andriessen.

2. i. Andries,[2] was born in New York City in the early part of 1657. On March 7, 1682, he married Jannetje Egbertsen (bapt. New York, Jan. 11, 1664, d. Nov. 23, 1733), daughter of Egbert Meindertse and Jaepe Jans. For some years he lived at Marbletown, Ulster County, on a farm given him by his father, but removed to Kingston previous to 1708. On July 22, 1710, "Captain Andries De Witt departed this life in a sorrowful way; through the breaking of two sleepers [beams] he was pressed down and very much bruised; he spoke a few words and died." He was buried in the churchyard at Kingston. Family 2.

3. ii. Taatje,[2] born at Albany about 1659; died previous to 1724. She was carried off by the Indians at the burning of Kingston in 1663, but was rescued. In 1677 she m. Matthys Matthyssen [Van Keuren], son of Matthys Jansen [Van Keuren] and Margaret Hendrickse, who, in 1685, was commissioned as captain in the army and later served against the French on the northern frontier. (After the death of her husband, Margaret Hendrickse, Matthys Matthyssen's mother, married Thomas Chambers, Lord of the Manor of Fox Hall, in Ulster County.) Family 3.

4. iii. Jannetje,[2] bapt. Feb. 12, 1662;* m. Cornelius Swits (b. 1651, d. 1730), son of Cornelis Claessen Swits and Ariantje Trommels. Cornelius Swits lived at Rochester, Ulster County, on a sixty-acre farm purchased by him from his wife's father. Jannetje Swits died in 1744, having had no issue.

5. iv. Klaes,[2] bapt. Feb. 17, 1664; d. previous to 1698.

✓ 6. v. Jan,[2] bapt. Feb. 14, 1666; m. Wyntje Kiersted, daughter of Dr. Roeloff Kiersted and Ikee (or Aaghe) Roosa. (Dr. Roeleff Kiersted was the son of Hans Kiersted and Sarah Roeloffse, daughter of the famous Anneke Jans by her first husband, and Ikee Roosa was the daughter of Albert

* Unless otherwise specified the baptisms are taken from the records of the Dutch Church at Kingston, N. Y.

Heymanse Roosa, one of the first schepens or magistrates of Kingston.) Jan De Witt died previous to April 12, 1715, as at that time his will, which bears date Oct. 29, 1700, and in which he is described as "of Mombackis in Ulster County," was proved before the Surrogate at Kingston. Family 4.

7. vi. GEERTRUY,[2] bapt. Oct. 15, 1668; m., March 24, 1688, Hendrick Hendricksen Schoonmaker (bapt. May 17, 1665), son of Hendrick Jochemsen Schoonmaker and Elsie Janse. He died previous to 1718. They lived in Rochester, Ulster County, his brother, Jochem Schoonmaker, having been one of the original settlers of that place. Family 5.

8. vii. JACOB,[2] m. Grietje Vernooy, daughter of Cornelis C. Vernoy and Annatje Cornelissen. Lived in Rochester, Ulster County, on land which he and his brother Jan purchased from their father Dec. 24, 1695, for five hundred schepels of wheat. This was probably a portion of the land before referred to as granted to Tjerck Claessen by patent May 14, 1694. In 1705 Jacob was one of the Trustees of Rochester, and served a number of years. He was still living in 1753. Family 6.

9. viii. RACHEL,[2] m. Cornelius Bogardus (d. Oct. 13, 1707), son of Cornelius Bogardus and Helena Teller. Cornelius Bogardus, Sr. (b. Sept. 9, 1640, d. 1666), was the son of Anneke Jans by her second husband, Rev. Everardus Bogardus. Helena Teller (b. 1645) was the eldest daughter of William Teller, who settled in Albany in 1639, moved to New York in 1692, and died there in 1701. After the death of Cornelius Bogardus, Sr., his widow married Francois Rombouts, a noted French merchant of New York City. Cornelius Bogardus, Jr., taught school in Albany in 1700, but soon after went back to Kingston. His wife, Rachel, was living in 1738. Family 7.

10. ix. LUCAS,[2] m., Dec. 22, 1695, Annatje Delva, daughter of Anthony Delva and Jannatje Hillebrants. She was a Roman Catholic. Lucas was commander, and joint-owner with his father, of a sloop called the St. Barbara, "of about fifty Dutch feet by the keele," which in 1698 they sold to Capt. Daniel Hobart, of the Island of Barbadoes, for £200. He died in 1703. On March 31, 1706, his widow married Gerrit Van Benschoten, and removed to the vicinity of what is now Catskill, Greene County, N. Y. Becoming again a widow, she married, Oct. 26, 1721, Hendrick Rosekrans, whose first wife was Antje Vredenberg. Family 8.

11. x. PEEK,[2] m. (1), Jan. 2, 1698, Marytje Janse Vanderberg, of Albany, and (2), Dec. 21, 1723, Maria Teunis (b. in Germany), widow of Jacob De Mott. At the time of his first marriage he was living in New York City. Subsequently he went to Dutchess County, where he settled on land purchased by his father from Col. Petrus Schuyler, of Albany, Sept. 6, 1698. This land was conveyed to him by his father by deed, dated Feb. 7, 1700, and in 1715 he exchanged it, with Col. Henry Beekman, for land in Ulster County, whither he subsequently removed. Family 9.

12. xi. TJERCK.[2] Mentioned in his father's will as the youngest son. No other record.

13. xii. MARRITJE,[2] m. (1), Nov. 3, 1700, Hendrick Hendricksen [Kortreght], son of Hendrick Jansen [Kortreght] and Catharine Hansen Webber, and, having been divorced from him, she married (2) Sept. 6, 1702, Jan Macklin. Family 10.

14. xiii. AAGJE,[2] bapt. Jan. 14, 1684; m., Aug. 23, 1712, Jan Pawling (bapt. Oct. 2, 1681), son of Henry Pawling and Neeltje Roosa (dau. of

Albert Heymanse Roosa). Removed to Philadelphia County, Pa. Family 11.

FAMILY 2.

Children of Andries[2] De Witt (2) and Jannetje Egbertsen.

15. i. TJERCK,[3] bapt. Jan. 12, 1683; m., Jan. 18, 1708, Anne Pawling (bapt. June 19, 1687), daughter of Henry Pawling and Neeltje Roosa, by whom he had six children. One of these, Petrus, was the grandfather of Peter De Witt, an eminent New York lawyer in the early part of this century. For his second wife Tjerck m. (Oct. 17, 1739) Deborah (bapt. Sept. 14, 1684), daughter of Egbert Hendricksen Schoonmaker and Annatje Berry, and widow, successively, of Jacob Vernooy and Hendrick Vroom. Tjerck died at Kingston, Aug. 30, 1762, leaving no issue by his second wife. Family, 12.

16. ii. JACOB,[3] bapt. Sept. 28, 1684, d. in infancy.

17. iii. BARBARA,[3] bapt. Aug. 22, 1686, d. in infancy.

18. iv. KLAES,[3] bapt. April 30, 1688, d. in infancy.

19. vi. BARBARA,[3] b. Oct. 30, 1689; m., March 25, 1715, Johannes Van Leuven; d. Nov. 1, 1715.

20. vii. JACOB,[3] b. Dec. 30, 1691; m., May 9, 1731, Heyltje Van Kampen (bapt. Oct. 6, 1700), daughter of Jan Van Kampen and Tietje Janse Decker. Family 13.

21. viii. MARIA,[3] b. Jan. 21, 1693; m., Oct. 30, 1713, Jan Roosa, Jr. (bapt. Nov. 6, 1692), son of Jan Roosa and Hillegond Van Buren. Family 14.

22. ix. HELENA,[3] b. Dec. 7, 1695; m., June 6, 1719, Jacob Swits (bapt. at Albany, Oct. 29, 1693), son of Isaac Swits and Susanna Groot, and nephew of Cornelis Swits, who m. Jannetje De Witt (4). Among her children was Col. Abraham Swits, of Schenectady, who was prominent in the Revolution.

23. x. ANDRIES,[3] b. April 1, 1697; d. July 2, 1701.

24. xi. EGBERT,[3] b. March 18, 1699; m., Nov. 4, 1726, Mary Nottingham (b. May 19, 1704), daughter of William Nottingham and Margaret Rutsen. He settled at Napanoch, in the town of Warwarsing, Ulster County, and had a family of ten children—nine sons and one daughter. The daughter, Mary, married Gen. James Clinton, and became the mother of Gov. De Witt Clinton. Family 15.

25. xii. JOHANNIS,[3] b. March 26, 1701; m., June 27, 1724, Mary Brodhead (bapt. Aug. 6, 1699), daughter of Charles Brodhead and Maria Tenbroeck. His eldest son, Col. Charles De Witt, who married Blandina Dubois, was very prominent in Colonial affairs during the Revolution. Family 16.

26. xiii. ANDRIES,[3] bapt. Feb. 20, 1703; m., Dec. 3, 1731, Bredjen Nottingham (bapt. Dec. 23, 1711), a sister of his brother Egbert's wife. He died at Rochester, Ulster County, in 1764, leaving a large family of children. Family 17.

FAMILY 3.

Children of Taatje[2] De Witt (3) and Matthys Matthysen Van Keuren.

27. i. SARA,[3] bapt. April 16, 1678; m. Matthew Du Bois.

28. ii. LEA,[3] bapt. May 11, 1679.

29. iii. MATTHYS,[3] bapt. April 24, 1681; m. Tryntje Sieght.
30. iv. TJERCK,[3] bapt. Dec. 24, 1682; m. Marytje Ten Eyck.
31. v. THOMAS,[3] bapt. Nov. 1, 1684; d. young.
32. vi. BARBARA,[3] bapt. Oct. 11, 1685; m. (1) Cornelius Wynkoop; (2) Peter Tappen.
33. vii. KLAES,[3] bapt. Dec. 4, 1687.
34. viii. THOMAS,[3] bapt. Oct. 13, 1689; m. Mary Pawling.
35. ix. HASUEL,[3] bapt. Jan. 28, 1692; m. Mary Riker.
36. x. CORNELIS,[3] bapt. June 3, 1694; m. (1) Kesiah Hoogteling; (2) Cornelia (Newkirk) Hoff.
37. xi. BENJAMIN,[3] bapt. Oct. 18, 1696.

FAMILY 4.

Children of Jan[2] De Witt (6) and Wyntje Kiersted.

38. i. BARBARA,[3] bapt. April 17, 1692; m. Jan Gerritse Dekker (bapt. July 28, 1688), son of Gerrit Janse Dekker and Margaret Dekker. Family 18.
39. ii. IKEE,[3] bapt. June 3, 1694; probably m., Dec. 13, 1735, Benjamin De Pue (bapt. Oct. 13, 1695), son of Moses De Pue and Marritje Wynkoop.
40. iii. BLANDINA,[3] bapt. April 12, 1696; m., Oct. 24, 1719, Jurian Westphael (bapt. Sept. 27, 1698), son of Simon Westphael and Neeltje Quackenbos. Family 19.
41. iv. RACHEL,[3] bapt. Aug. 23, 1698; m., April 15, 1723, Isaac Van Aken. Family 20.
41A. v. JANNATJE,[3] bapt. July 13, 1701; m. Abraham Van Aken. Family 21.

FAMILY 5.

Children of Geertruy[2] De Witt (7) and Hendrick H. Schoonmaker.

42. i. ELSIE,[3] bapt. April 14, 1689; died young.
43. ii. HESKIA,[3] bapt. April 14, 1689; a twin of Elsie.
44. iii. BARBARA,[3] bapt. May 26, 1691; m., Oct. 30, 1719, Wilhelmus Ploeg.
45. iv. ELSIE,[3] bapt. April 17, 1692; m., June 13, 1713, Nicholas De Meyer (bapt. Oct. 14, 1683), son of William De Meyer and Catharine Bayard.
46. v. HENDRICK,[3] bapt. June 3, 1694; m., Oct. 16, 1724, Tryntje Osterhoudt.
47. vi. JANNETJE,[3] bapt. Aug. 18, 1695; d. young.
48. vii. JOHANNES,[3] bapt. July 4, 1697; m., May 15, 1729, Ariaantje Hoogteling.
49. viii. TJERCK,[3] bapt. Jan. 22, 1699; m., Nov. 21, 1729, Theodosia Whittaker (bapt. May 7, 1710; d. March 6, 1791), daughter of Edward Whittaker and Hillitje Burhans.
50. ix. JACOB,[3] bapt. Nov. 3, 1700.
51. x. JANNETJE,[3] bapt. Oct. 4, 1702; m., Sept. 30, 1720, Hendrick Oosterhoudt.
52. xi. SARAH,[3] bapt. March 2, 1707; d. young.
53. xii. CATRINA,[3] bapt. Feb. 11, 1709; m., Jan. 14, 1731, Abraham Person.

54. xiii. SARAH,[3] bapt. Oct. 12, 1710; m., Aug. 19, 1726, Cornelis Macklin.

The Maria Schoonmaker, who m., Aug. 28, 1731, Martin Post, was probably a daughter of Hendrick and Geertruy.

FAMILY 6.

Children of Jacob[2] De Witt (8) *and Grietje Vernooy.*

55. i. ANNA,[3] bapt. March 15, 1696; d. 1715; m., March 1, 1713, Frederick Schoonmaker (bapt. Jan. 28, 1692), son of Jochem H. Schoonmaker and Anna Hussey. Frederick Schoonmaker, m., Feb. 6, 1717, Eva Swartwout (bapt. Nov. 16, 1694), daughter of Thomas Swartwout and Elizabeth Gardiner. Family 22.

56. ii. TJERCK,[3] bapt. July 3, 1698; d. 1764; m., Aug. 8, 1719, Ariaantje Dekker (bapt. May 15, 1698), daughter of Gerrit Dekker and Margaret Dekker. Family 23.

57. iii. CORNELIS,[3] bapt. April 6, 1701; m., Oct. 3, 1728, Sara Hoornbeck (bapt. Oct. 12, 1710), daughter of Lodowyck Hoornbeck and Marytje Vernooy. Family 24.

58. iv. JANNETJE,[3] bapt. Feb. 13, 1704; m., Aug. 22, 1731, Gerardus van Nieuwegen. Removed to the Minnisink region. Family 25.

59. v. JACOB,[3] bapt. Sept. 28, 1707; d. unmarried in 1778.

60. vi. TAATJE,[3] bapt. Oct. 12, 1710; m., March 17, 1730, Peter Guimard (or Gumaer), son of Pierre Guimard and Hester Hasbrouck. He d. in 1779. Pierre Guimard emigrated from France, and settled in the Minnesink region, now the town of Deerpark, Orange County, N. Y., where Peter, his only son, was born about 1710. Family 26.

61. vii. ELIZABETH,[3] bapt. Feb. 21, 1714.

62. viii. JAN,[3] bapt. June 15, 1718; m., Dec. 19, 1751, Anne Prescott. One of his descendants is the Hon. John E. De Witt, of Portland, Me. Family 27.

FAMILY 7.

Children of Rachel[2] De Witt (9) *and Cornelius Bogardus.*

63. i. HELENA,[3] bapt. April 17, 1692.
64. ii. JANNEKE,[3] bapt. May 13, 1694, at New York City.
65. iii. BARBARA,[3] bapt. Dec. 16, 1695.
66. iv. CORNELIUS,[3] bapt. Jan. 8, 1699.
67. v. RACHEL,[3] bapt. April 27, 1701, at Albany.
68. vi. CATHARINA,[3] bapt. Aug. 29, 1703.
69. vii. MARGARITA,[3] bapt. Sept. 22, 1705.
70. viii. HENRICUS,[3] bapt. Sept. 28, 1707.

FAMILY 8.

Children of Lucas[2] De Witt (10) *and Annatje Delva.*

71. i. JANNETJE,[3] bapt. March 7, 1696; m., July 19, 1717, Cornelis Langendyk (bapt., N. Y., July 10, 1689), son of Pieter Janse Langendyk and Geertje Cornelis. Family 28.

72. ii. BARBARA,[3] bapt. Nov. 12, 1698; d. young.

73. iii. JAN,[3] bapt. Dec. 8, 1700; m., Sept. 26, 1731, Ariaantje Oster-

houdt (bapt. March 9, 1712), daughter of Gysbert Osterhoudt and Maritje Bogard. Family 29.

74. iv. LUCAS,[3] bapt. Sept. 5, 1703; m., Jan. 17, 1729, Catherine Roosa (bapt. Feb. 16, 1709), daughter of Evert Roosa and Tietje Van Etten. Among the descendants of this Lucas is the Rev. John De Witt, New Brunswick, N. J., one of the Committee on the Revision of the Bible. Family 30.

FAMILY 9.

Children of Peek[2] De Witt (11) *and Marytje Vanderberg.*

75. i. MARIA,[3] bapt. New York, Nov. 13, 1698; m., June 3, 1720, Hugo Freer, son of Abraham Freer and Aagje Titsoort. Family 31.

76. ii. TJERCK,[3] bapt. Feb. 11, 1700, d. in infancy.

77. iii. TJERCK,[3] bapt. Sept. 12, 1703; m., Aug. 7, 1737, Marjory Sissem. Family 32.

78. iv. JANNETJE,[3] bapt. March 24, 1706.

79. v. JOHANNES,[3] bapt. Feb. 18, 1709.

80. vi. CATRINA,[3] bapt. June 17, 1711.

Children by his second wife, Maria Teunis.

81. vii. CHRISTINA,[3] bapt. May 23, 1725; m., Nov. 26, 1748, Arie Van Etten, son of Petrus Van Etten. Family 33.

82. viii. ANNA MARIA,[3] bapt. (*Athens Ch. Rec.*) April 30, 1730, d. April 1, 1814; m. (1), Nov. 30, 1749, Frederick Winne (bapt. Sept. 22, 1723), son of Pieter Winne and Antje Merkal; m. (2), May 13, 1758, Jan L. De Witt (202). Family 34.

FAMILY 10.

Child of Marritje[2] De Witt (13) *and Hendrich Kortreght.*

83. i. TJERCK, b. 1701.

Children by her second husband Jan Macklin.

84. ii. JAN,[3] bapt. March 7, 1703.

85. iii. DANIEL,[3] bapt. June 20, 1708.

86. iv. MARGARET,[3] bapt. July 1, 1711; m., July 3, 1731, Jan Wels, Jr., son of Jan Wels and Cornelia Janse De Duyster.

FAMILY 11.

Child of Aagje[2] De Witt (14) *and JanPawling.*

87. v. HENRY,[3] bapt. Nov. 1, 1713.

It is probable they had other children born in Pennsylvania.

FAMILY 12.

Children of Tjerck[3] De Witt (15) *and Anne Pawling.*

88. i. ANDRIES,[4] bapt. May 7, 1710, d. July 23, 1711.

89. ii. NEELTJE,[4] bapt. April 22, 1711; m., Sept. 5, 1734, Wessel Jacobse Ten Broek (bapt. Dec. 7, 1712), son of Jacob Ten Broek and

Elizabeth Wynkoop. Soon after his marriage Wessel Ten Broek removed to Harlingen, Somerset County, N. J. where he died in 1747. His widow married Samuel Stout.

90. iii. HENRY,[4] bapt. Jan 24, 1714; m., Nov. 10, 1738, Maria Ten Broek (bapt. June 13, 1717; d. May 19, 1767), daughter of Jacob Ten Broek and Elizabeth Wynkoop. Henry De Witt was a merchant in Kingston, N. Y. He was for some year town clerk and county treasurer, and was otherwise prominent in local and county affairs, being a man of much talent and force of character. He died Sept. 17, 1753, leaving six children—four sons and two daughters. One of his sons, Jacob, settled in Norwich, Conn., in 1765, and married Martha Dean, daughter of Jabez Dean, of that place. Another son, Henry, Jr., went to Wyndham, Conn., about 1770. He married Hannah Dean, a sister of his brother Jacob's wife. His descendants live in Canada.

91. iv. JOHANNES,[4] bapt. Aug. 8, 1717; died Oct. 30, 1749, in Permuda.

92. v. PETRUS,[4] bapt. July 15, 1722; d. Jan. 3, 1790; m., June 8, 1749, Rachel Radcliff (b. Dec. 14, 1723; d. July 20, 1794), daughter of Joachim Radcliff. Resided at Hyde Park, Dutchess County, N. Y.

93. vi. ANDRIES,[4] bapt. March 3, 1728; d. June 9, 1806; m., Dec. 17, 1757, Rachel Du Bois (b. Jan. 5, 1737; d. Aug. 24, 1823), daughter of Isaac Du Bois and Neeltje Roosa.

FAMILY 13.

Children of Jacob[3] De Witt (20) and Hyletje Van Kampen.

94. i. JOHANNES,[4] bapt. Sept. 22, 1734.
95. ii. JACOB,[4] bapt. (*Rhinebeck Flats*) Aug. 22, 1736.
96. iii. ELIZABETH,[4] bapt. Sept. 25, 1738.
97. iv. MARIA,[4] bapt. Oct. 5, 1740.

FAMILY 14.

Children of Maria[3] De Witt (21) and Jan Roosa.

98. i. JAN,[4] bapt. Sept. 5, 1714; died in infancy.
99. ii. JANNETJE,[4] bapt. May 13, 1716.
100. iii. JAN,[4] bapt. Oct. 13, 1717.
101. iv. HILLEGOND,[4] bapt. May 17, 1719.
102. v. ANDRIES,[4] bapt. Sept. 3. 1721; m., Oct. 21, 1748, Maria Schoonmaker (bapt. Jan. 28, 1733), daughter of Frederick Schoonmaker and Eva Swartwout.
103. JACOB,[4] bapt. Jan. 5, 1724; d. in infancy.
104. JACOB,[4] bapt. Dec. 19, 1725.
105. MARIA,[4] bapt. Dec. 17, 1727.
106. HELENA,[4] bapt. Oct. 12. 1729.
107. GEERTJEN,[4] bapt. Dec. 16, 1733.
108. EGBERT,[4] bapt. Feb. 13, 1737; m. (1), Dec. 1, 1759, Helena Ostrander; (2), Sept. 1, 1765, Alice Delamater.

FAMILY 15.

Children of Egbert[3] De Witt (24) and Mary Nottingham.

109. i. ANDRIES,[4] bapt. Oct. 15, 1727; m., April 24, 1748, Jannetje Vernooy (bapt. March 3, 1728; d. Feb. 7, 1795), daughter of Johannes Vernooy and Jenneke Louw. He was a physician, and practised his profession in his native county for over half a century. He died at New Paltz, Sept. 30, 1799. Surveyor-General Simeon De Witt was one of his sons, as was also Dr. Benjamin De Witt, Health Officer at New York City in the early part of this century.

110. ii. JACOB RUTSEN,[4] bapt. April 13, 1729; m., April 15, 1756, Jenneke Depuy, daughter of Moses Depuy and Margaret Schoonmaker. Removed to Sullivan (now Orange) County, where he purchased land on the Navesink River. Was captain of a militia company during the Revolution. His oldest son, Moses, was one of the surveyors to establish the boundary line between New York and Pennsylvania, and was County Judge and Surrogate of Herkimer and Onondaga Counties, 1791–94. Moses died Aug. 15, 1794, in the 28th year of his age. One of Jacob Rutsen De Witt's daughters, named Rachel, married Col. Robert Burnet, of Revolutionary fame.

111. iii. WILLIAM,[4] b. 1731; m., May 30, 1762, Susanna Chambers.

112. iv. JOHN E.,[4] bapt. Sept. 19, 1733; m., Oct. 26, 1765, Catharine Newkerk (bapt. Feb. 26, 1738), daughter of Cornelius Newkerk, Jr., and Neeltje Du Bois.

113. v. STEPHEN,[4] bapt. Dec. 14, 1735; m., Dec. 8, 1770, Wyntje Brodhead (bapt. Feb. 23, 1746; d. July 7, 1830), daughter of John Brodhead and Venni Nottingham.

114. vi. MARY,[4] b. Sept. 5, 1737; d. Sept. 12, 1795; m., Feb. 18, 1765, Gen. James Clinton (b. Aug. 9, 1736; d. Dec. 22, 1812), son of Charles Clinton and Elizabeth Denniston. Their third son, De Witt Clinton, was born March 2, 1769.

115. vii. EGBERT,[4] bapt. April 1, 1739.

116. viii. THOMAS,[4] b. May 3, 1741; m., Feb. 28, 1782, Elsie Hasbrouck (b. 20 March, 1750; d. 28 June, 1832), daughter of Jacob Hasbrouck and Maria Hoornbeck. When the Revolutionary War broke out Thomas De Witt went into the army, receiving a commission as captain in the Third New York Regiment, being afterward promoted to the rank of major. He was stationed for some time, with his regiment (of which Peter Gansevoort was colonel), at Fort Stanwix, and assisted in its defence when it was besieged by the British under Col. St. Leger, in 1777. In 1779 Major De Witt accompanied Gen. Sullivan's successful expedition against the Indians. After the close of the war he removed from Marbletown, Ulster County, to Twaalskill, now a part of the city of Kingston, where he died Sept. 7, 1809, leaving a family of three sons and one daughter. The daughter, Mary, married David W. Thorp, of New York City, but died without issue. The oldest son, Jacob H., was adjutant in the War of 1812, and some years afterward was commissioned as colonel. In 1819 he was elected, by the Clintonian party, to Congress, where he served for two years. In 1839, and again in 1847, he was a member of the State Legislature. Col. De Witt died at Kingston, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1857, in the seventy-third year of his age. Reuben, the second son, died, in 1859, unmarried. Rev. Dr. Thomas De Witt, Major De Witt's youngest son, was graduated

from Union College, Schenectady. After completing his theological studies he had charge, for a short time, of a church in Dutchess County, N. Y., and was then called to the Collegiate Dutch Reformed Church at New York City, of which he was for many years the honored and well-beloved senior pastor. He died May 18, 1874.

117. ix. BENJAMIN,[4] bapt. Jan. 19, 1743.

118. x. REUBEN,[4] bapt. (*Napanoch Ch. Rec.*) Oct. 20, 1745; m., Nov. 11, 1772, Elizabeth Depuy (bapt. [*Rochester Ch. Rec.*] May 20, 1753), daughter of Moses Depuy and Elizabeth Clearwater.

FAMILY 16.

Children of Johannis[3] De Witt (25) and Mary Brodhead.

119. i. ANN,[4] bapt. March 28, 1725; m., May 13, 1749, Conrad Newkerk (bapt. May 14, 1722), son of Gerrit Newkerk and Grietje Ten Eyck.

120. ii. CHARLES,[4] b. 1727; d. 1787; m., Dec. 20, 1754, Blandina Du Bois (b. 1731; d. Nov. 4, 1765), daughter of Gerrit Du Bois and Margaret Elmendorf.

Charles De Witt was one of the most prominent men of Ulster County in the political events which preceded and accompanied the war of the Revolution. From 1768 to 1775 he was a member of the Colonial Assembly, "and as a member of the last legislative body which sat under royal authority, was one of the nine resolute and patriotic men who voted to approve of the proceedings of the Continental Congress, then recently organized in Philadelphia." He was a member of the Provincial Convention of April, 1775, and of the third and fourth Provincial Congresses, where he was associated with John Jay, William Duer, and others on the committee "for detecting and defeating conspiracies, etc." On December 2[illegible], 1775, he was commissioned colonel of a regiment of minute men. When the State Government was organized, Colonel De Witt was made a member of the committee to draft a Constitution; and from 1781 to 1785 he sat in the State Assembly. A sketch of Colonel De Witt, from which the above facts are mainly taken, may be found in the Ulster County Historical Collections.

121. ii. ANDRIES,[4] bapt. Nov. 10, 1728; d. June 26, 1813; m., 175[illegible] or 1754, Blandina Ten Eyck (bapt. May 11, 1735; d. June 2, 1807), daughter of Abraham Ten Eyck and Jenneke Elmendorf.

122. iv. MARIA,[4] bapt. April 17, 1737.

FAMILY 17.

Children of Andries[3] De Witt (26) and Bredjen Nottingham.

123. i. ANDRIES,[4] b. 1732; d. 1803; m., Dec. 1, 1754, Maria Depuy (bapt. Jan. 11, 1736; d. Feb., 1816), daughter of Cornelis Depuy and Catharine Van Aken.

124. ii. WILLIAM,[4] bapt. Oct. 14, 1733; d. before 1760.

125. iii. JANNETJE,[4] bapt. Dec. 14, 1735; m., April 2, 1758, John Bodley, of England.

126. iv. GARTON,[4] bapt. July 3, 1739; m. Phoebe Waterman.

127. v. CATRINA,[4] bapt. Jan. 10, 1742.

128. vi. THOMAS,[4] bapt. June 24, 1744.

129. vii. HENRY,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) Jan. 4, 1747.
130. viii. MARIA,[4] bapt. April 22, 1750; m., Oct. 28, 1774, Samuel Kirkpatrick, of Ireland.
131. ix. LEVI,[4] bapt. (*Napanoch Ch. Rec.*) March 20, 1754.

FAMILY 18.

Children of Barbara[3] *De Witt* (38) *and Jan Gerritse Dekker.*

132. i. SARA,[4] bapt. Aug. 17, 1712.
133. ii. GERRIT,[4] bapt. June 3, 1716.
134. iii. JAN,[4] bapt. June 7, 1719.
135. iv. ELIZABETH,[4] bapt. Aug. 23, 1724.
136. v. LUCAS,[4] bapt. Aug. 27, 1727.

FAMILY 19.

Children of Blandina[3] *De Witt* (40) *and Jurian Westphael.*

137. i. SIMON,[4] bapt. July 30, 1721.
138. ii. LYDIA,[4] bapt. March 8, 1724.
139. iii. JAN DE WITT,[4] bapt. April 3, 1726.
140. iv. CATRINA,[4] bapt. Nov. 17, 1728.
141. v. MARIA,[4] bapt. July 4, 1733.
142. vi. ANNATJE,[4] bapt. May 3, 1737.

FAMILY 20.

Children of Rachel[3] *De Witt* (41) *and Isaac Van Aken.*

143. i. ABRAHAM,[4] bapt. Jan. 19, 1724.
144. ii. SARA,[4] bapt. March 6, 1726.
145. iii. ISAAC,[4] bapt. April 12, 1730; d. in infancy.
146. iv. JACOB,[4] bapt. Feb. 4, 1733.
147. v. ISAAC,[4] bapt. June 17, 1735.
148. vi. JOSEPH,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) May 24, 1739.

FAMILY 21.

Children of Jannetje[3] *De Witt* (41A) *and Abraham Van Aken.*

149. i. CATRINA,[4] bapt. Aug. 27, 1727
150. ii. SARA,[4] bapt. July 6, 1729.
151. iii ELIZA,[4] bapt. July 5, 1731.
152. iv. DANIEL,[4] bapt. Feb. 2, 1735.
153. v. LYDIA,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) May 31, 1738.
154. vi. BLANDINA,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) Oct. 25, 1743.
155. vii. SARA,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) April 23, 1745.
156. viii. LYDIA,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) May 10, 1747.

FAMILY 22.

Child of Anna[3] *De Witt* (55) *and Frederick Schoonmaker.*

157. i. JOCHEM,[4] bapt. Oct. 23, 1715; m., May 21, 1741, Sarah Depue.

Family 23.

Children of Tjerck[3] De Witt (56) *and Ariaantje Dekker.*

158. i. Johanna,[4] bapt. Jan. 10, 1721; m., Nov. 28, 1739, Hendrikus Osterhoudt (bapt. Feb. 5, 1716), son of Teunis Osterhoudt and Ariaantje Roosa.

159. ii. Elizabeth,[4] bapt. May 12, 1723; m., Dec. 3, 1749, Jacobus Low (bapt. Aug. 13, 1721), son of Matthew Low and Jannetje Van Heyningen.

160. iii. Catrina,[4] bapt. Sept. 26, 1725; m. Jacob Gideon Low (bapt. Jan. 28, 1728).

161. iv. Grietje,[4] m., August 8, 1751, Johannes Rosekrans (bapt. October 18, 1724), son of Alexander Rosekrans and Marritje De Pue.

Family 24.

Children of Cornelis[3] De Witt (57) *and Sarah Hoornbeck.*

162. i. Maria,[4] bapt. Jan. 18, 1730.
163. ii. Elizabeth,[4] bapt. Feb. 10, 1734.
164. iii. Jacob,[4] bapt. Feb. 15, 1736.
165. iv. Cornelis,[4] bapt. Jan. 27, 1745.

Family 25.

Children of Jannetje[3] De Witt (58) *and Gerardus Van Nieuwegen.*

166. Janneke,[4] bapt. March 26, 1735. (This baptism is recorded in the *Machackemech. Ch Rec.*, Feb. 2, 1735.)

167. i. Grietje,[4] bapt. May 4, 1737. (Recorded same date in *Machackemech Ch. Rec.*)

168. ii. Tjaadje,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) May 30, 1739.

169. iii. A child,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) Oct. 17, 1743.

170. iv. Jacob,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) 1743.

171. v. Jacob,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) Jan. 21, 1747.

172. vi. Elizabeth,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) March 15, 1747.

Family 26.

Children of Taatje[3] De Witt (60) *and Peter Gumaer.*

173. i. Petrus,[4] bapt. May 3, 1733.

174. ii. Margrietje,[4] bapt. May 18, 1736.

175. iii. Jacob De Witt,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) June 17, 1740; m. Hilda Decker.

176. iv. Ezechiel,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) June 3, 1743; d. May 17, 1823; m. Naomi Low.

177. v. Maria,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) July 14, 1745.

178. vi. Elizabeth,[4] bapt. (*Machackemech Ch. Rec.*) Sept. 18, 1750.

FAMILY 27.

Children of Jan[3] De Witt (62) *and Anne Prescott.*

179. i. MARGRIETJE,[4] bapt. (*Rochester, Ulster County, Ch. Rec.*) May 30, 1753.
180. ii. JACOB,[4] bapt. (*Rochester, Ulster County, Ch. Rec.*) March 22, 1755.
181. iii. HENRICUS,[4] bapt. (*Rochester, Ulster County, Ch. Rec.*) Jan. 29, 1761; d. May 7, 1850; m. (1) Margaret Schoonmaker, daughter of Petrus Schoonmaker and Jannetje Van de Merke; m. (2) Elizabeth Conrad.

FAMILY 28.

Children of Jannetje[3] De Witt (71) *and Cornelis Langendyk.*

182. i. GEERTRUY,[4] bapt. June 22, 1718.
183. ii. LUCAS,[4] bapt. March 31, 1723; d. in infancy.
184. iii. LUCAS,[4] bapt. Nov. 7, 1725; m., April 20, 1756, Christina Wolven.
185. iv. PETRUS,[4] bapt. June 30, 1728.
186. v. ANNETJE,[4] b. 1731; m., Feb. 2, 1753, Arent Winne.
187. vi. CATRINA,[4] bapt. Sept. 2, 1733.
188. vii. MARIA,[4] bapt. June 6, 1736.
189. viii. JANNETJE,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Nov. 19, 1738.

FAMILY 29.

Children of Jan[3] De Witt (73) *and Ariaantje Osterhoudt.*

190. MARIA,[4] bapt. (*Catskill Ch. Rec.*) Feb. 16, 1735; m., April 10, 1757, Christian Winne.
191. i. PETRUS,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Sept. 26, 1737.
192. ii. JOHANNES,[4] bapt. Dec. 25, 1739.
193. iii. EZECKIEL,[4] bapt. Sept. 27, 1741.
194. iv. CORNELIS,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Dec. 26, 1743.
195 v. BENJAMIN,[4] bapt. Dec. 25, 1745.
196. vi. WILLEM,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Dec. 26, 1747.
197. vii. JACOB,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) March 28, 1749.
198. viii. ARIE,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) March 30, 1752.

FAMILY 30.

Children of Lucas[3] De Witt (74) *and Catharine Roosa.*

199. i. ANNATJE,[4] bapt. Oct. 5, 1729.
200. ii. EVERT,[4] bapt. Nov. 25, 1733; m. Gertrude Persen (bapt. Jan. 19, 1735), daughter of Abraham Persen and Catrina Schoonmaker (53.)
201. iii. MARYTJE,[4] bapt. March 7, 1736.
202. iv. JAN L.,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) May 4, 1736; d. May 18, 1803; m., May 13, 1758, Anna Maria De Witt (82). Although Jan was not baptized until 1736, he was probably born in 1731.
203. v. LUCAS,[4] bapt. Aug. 20, 1738; d. 1820; m. Deborah Persen

(bapt. Feb. 6, 1738), daughter of Abraham Persen and Catrina Schoonmaker (53).

204. vi. ABRAHAM,[4] bapt. Feb. 15, 1741.
205. vii. JANNETJE,[4] bapt. July 31, 1743.
206. viii. RACHEL,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Aug. 22, 1745.
207. ix. CATHARINE,[4] bapt. *Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Sept. 5, 1748.
208. x. PETRUS,[4] bapt. Nov. 2, 1755.

FAMILY 31.

Children of Maria[3] *De Witt* (75) *and Hugo Freer.*

209. i. MARYTJEN,[4] bapt. April 22, 1722.
210. ii. ABRAHAM,[4] bapt. Dec. 1, 1723.
211. iii. AAGJE,[4] bapt. April 11, 1725.
212. iv. CATRINA,[4] bapt. Jan. 15, 1727.
213. v. REBEKKA,[4] bapt. Jan. 5, 1729.
214. vi. JOHANNES,[4] bapt. April 8, 1733.
215. vii. SARA,[4] bapt. (*Rhinebeck Flats Ch. Rec.*) Aug. 3, 1735.
216. viii. NEELTJE,[4] bapt. Nov. 15, 1737.
217. ix. PETRUS,[4] bapt. Nov. 18, 1739.
218. x. LYDIA,[4] bapt. (*Rhinebeck Flats Ch. Rec.*) July 7, 1743.

FAMILY 32.

Children of Tjerck[3] *De Witt* (77) *and Marjory Sissem.*

219. i. PEEK,[4] bapt. April 16, 1738.
220. ii. JANNETJE,[4] bapt. (*Rhinebeck Flats Ch. Rec.*) May 11, 1740; m., Dec. 26. 1763, Petrus Fredenberg.
221. iii. CATRINA,[4] bapt. (*Rhinebeck Flats Ch. Rec.*) Aug. 18, 1745.
222. iv. MARIA,[4] bapt. (*Rhinebeck Flats Ch. Rec.*) May 5, 1754.

FAMILY 33.

Children of Christina[3] *De Witt* (81) *and Arie Van Etten.*

223. i. MARIA,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Oct. 4, 1755.
224. ii. JOHN,[4] (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) June 5, 1759; m. Maria Van Valkenburgh.
225. iii. JACOBUS,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) March 29, 1764.
226. iv. ELIAS,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Aug. 29, 1766.

FAMILY 34.

Children of Anna Maria[3] *De Witt* (82) *and Frederick Winne.*

227. i. PETRUS,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) April 23, 1753.
228. ii. BENJAMIN,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) March 31, 1755.
229. iii. MARRITJE,[4] bapt. (*Kattsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Feb. 23, 1757.

Children by second husband, Jan L. De Witt (202).

229. iv. JOHN,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) April 7, 1760; d. Feb. 19, 1816; m., July 6, 1783, Mary Breasted (b. May 9, 1766; d. Oct. 18, 1853), daughter of Peter Breasted and Sarah Meinerts.

230. v. RACHEL,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) July 4, 1761; d. March 11, 1840; m., Feb. 17, 1782, John Van Leuven (b. Jan. 15, 1754; d. 1805).

231. vi. ABRAHAM,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Feb. 20, 1763 (b. Jan. 20, 1763), d. Dec. 9, 1845, at Saugerties, N. Y.; m. Catharine Dederick (b. July 29, 1764; d. March 18, 1835), daughter of Matthew Dederick and Maria Emmerich.

232. vii. JOSEPH,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Jan. 28, 1766.

233. viii. MARIA,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) April 19, 1768.

234. ix. ANDREW,[4] bapt. (*Kaatsbaan Ch. Rec.*) Feb. 1, 1775 (b. Jan. 10, 1775).

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